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<u>Serial/Patent No.</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>	<u>Attorney Docket</u>	<u>Title</u>
10/692,587	October 24, 2003	341.014US2	METHOD FOR INCREASING LUMINESCENCE ASSAY SENSITIVITY
10/777,461	February 12, 2004	341.022US1	COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS TO QUENCH LIGHT FROM OPTICAL REACTIONS
10/991,759	November 18, 2004	341.014US3	METHOD FOR INCREASING LUMINESCENCE ASSAY SENSITIVITY

Continuations and/or divisionals may be later filed from the applications listed above. Applicants request that the Examiner review all continuations and/or divisionals of the above-listed applications before allowing the claims of the present patent application.

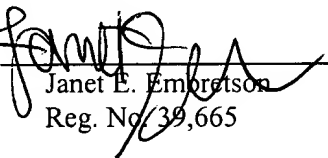
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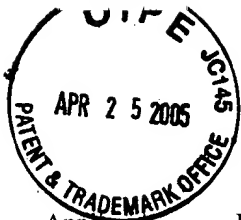
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- ☒ A Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (1 pg.), Form 1449 (3 pgs.). 35 Documents Enclosed.
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